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Attorney Docket No. 31721-178050

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Attention: Box Patent Application

Re: New Patent Application

Inventor: Mitsuo TAKAHASHI et al

Sir:

Please find attached hereto an application for patent which includes:

Specification, Claims, Declaration, Power of Attorney.

Drawing: 3 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-6).

Assertion Claiming Small Entity Status.

Fee (see formula below) check enclosed.

Basic Fee \$370/740..... \$ 370.00

Additional Fees:

Total number of claims in excess of 20 0 times \$9/18 \$ --.--

Number of independent claims 1

in excess of 3: 0 times \$42/84..... \$ --.--

Multiple Dependent Claim \$140/280..... \$ _--.-

 $\sqrt{\,\,}$ An assignment is likewise enclosed; Recording Fee \$40.\$ 40.00

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re PATENT APPLICATION of Applicant Mitsuo TAKAHASHI Tsuguo SATO Application No.: ASSERTION Filed CLAIMING OPTICAL ATTENUATOR For SMALL ENTITY STATUS Attorney Docket: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: The undersigned hereby asserts that the aboveidentified application is entitled to small entity status. M-Jakahashr
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